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Fauci 'Deliberately Conspired' to Suppress COVID Lab-Leak Theory, Emails Reveal

A successful Freedom of Information Act lawsuit forced the National Institutes of Health last week to release unredacted emails that provide "damning evidence" Dr. Anthony Fauci deliberately shut down public debate about the origins of COVID-19.

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By Hans Mahncke

New details have emerged about a teleconference convened by Dr. Anthony Fauci on Feb. 1, 2020, when he and a small group of scientists discussed the likelihood that the COVID-19 virus had leaked from a lab.

While the basic outlines of the teleconference became known last year when a batch of Fauci emails was released under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), many crucial details were redacted by the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Those details were made public last week because of a successful FOIA lawsuit by independent journalist James Tobias.

It was known from the earlier Fauci email release that a group of scientists who receive funding from Fauci's National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases believed that the virus might have leaked from a Chinese lab.

One leading scientist, Kristian Andersen, had told Fauci in a Jan. 31, 2020, email that "some of the features (potentially) look engineered."

Another scientist, Robert Garry, wrote on Feb. 2, 2020, "I just can't figure out how this gets accomplished in nature."

However, immediately after the Feb. 1 teleconference, the entire group, including Andersen and Garry, publicly aggressively pushed the opposing natural origin narrative. On Feb. 4, at a meeting of the National Academy of Sciences, Andersen ridiculed claims that COVID-19 came out of a lab as "crackpot theories."

Andersen and other members of Fauci's group later claimed that they had changed their minds about the origin of the virus after more evidence became available. However, Fauci's newly unredacted emails prove otherwise.

Instead, the emails present the most damning evidence to date that Fauci's group deliberately conspired to suppress public discussion of the lab leak scenario and brazenly lied about the underlying science.

Among the emails contained in the 174-page batch is one that Fauci sent shortly after midnight on Feb. 1, 2020, as he was scrambling to set up the teleconference on the same day. The email is addressed to British pharmaceutical trust director Jeremy Farrar, with whom Fauci had co-organized the Feb. 1 conference.

It isn't known why Farrar, a U.K. citizen with no known role in the U.S. government, was chosen to co-organize the teleconference. Fauci and Farrar control a significant portion of funding for virologists in the Western world.

Fauci, who also copied Andersen and two of his NIH colleagues, mentioned the COVID-19 virus's unusual features and suggested contacting the FBI and the British security service MI5:

> "If everyone agrees with this concern, they should report it to the appropriate authorities. I would imagine that in the USA, this would be the FBI and in the UK, it would be MI5."

It isn't known why Fauci made contacting the FBI dependent on everyone agreeing with concerns about the virus's unusual features.

It's notable that Farrar later claimed to have been using a burner phone during this time.

In the same post-midnight email, Fauci also stated he would alert "my" U.S. government officials of the possibility that COVID-19 was made in a lab. It isn't known whether Fauci contacted anyone.

However, the real smoking gun is manifested in a Feb. 4 email exchange between Fauci, then-NIH head Francis Collins and Farrar.

Early on Feb. 4, Farrar shared a draft of what would later become known as the Proximal Origin paper with Fauci and Collins.

Proximal Origin, co-authored by Andersen, Garry and three other scientists, including Edward Holmes who also attended the teleconference and who worked for the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention from 2014 to 2020, publicly promoted the natural origin theory.

The paper was a direct product of the teleconference and would later be used by the media and Fauci as the scientific basis for dismissing the possibility that COVID-19 might have come out of a lab.

The Feb. 4 email exchange reveals that, after reading the draft paper, Fauci sent Collins and Farrar a one-line response: "?? Serial passage in ACE2-transgenic mice." ACE2-transgenic mice are mice that are used in virus experiments to mimic human lungs. It appears that Fauci was concerned that Proximal Origin was pointing to a possible lab origin.

Farrar replied "Exactly!," apparently sharing Fauci's concern. Collins then asked "surely that wouldn't be done in a BSL-2 lab," apparently expressing his incredulity that the Wuhan lab would have conducted such risky experiments in low biosafety level 2 labs — equivalent to the biosafety level of a U.S. dentist's office.

The fourth and final email in the exchange came from Farrar, who simply referred to the Wuhan Institute of Virology (WIV) as "Wild West…."

WIV Director Shi Zhengli later conceded in an interview that her lab had indeed conducted its coronavirus experiments in biosafety level two labs.

Taken together, these emails provide the strongest evidence yet that Fauci and his group knew on Feb. 4 that the virus had characteristics that pointed to lab manipulation, that the Wuhan lab had conducted experiments that were consistent with creating such characteristics and that the lab didn't follow proper safety protocols.

Yet, instead of sounding the alarm, Fauci's team saw to it that offending passages were removed from the as-yet-unpublished Proximal Origin paper.

While the Feb. 4 draft of the paper that had been shared with Fauci stated that the available data was consistent with both a natural and a lab origin and that it was "currently impossible to prove or disprove either," the published version omitted this language.

Instead, the final version claimed, "we do not believe that any type of laboratory-based scenario is plausible."

Fauci's role in editing the paper and shaping its narrative should have been disclosed in the paper's acknowledgments section — as is the case with all contributions to scientific work — but instead, his involvement was concealed.

Another email in the new FOIA release underscores the lengths to which Fauci's group went to cover up the possibility of a lab leak.

In a Feb. 4 email to Fauci and Collins, Farrar explicitly acknowledged that there was a "very real possibility of accidental lab passage in animals to give glycans." Glycans are carbohydrate-based polymers produced by humans or — as Farrar evidently knew — by lab animals such as transgenic mice.

The Feb. 4 version, as well as the final published version of Proximal Origin, fudged this issue by falsely claiming that it was unclear how glycans might have been acquired in a lab.

Another issue that was flagged by Fauci's group in their early Feb. 2020 emails is the virus's furin cleavage site.

During the Feb. 1 teleconference, the scientists circulated a slide titled "Gain of furin cleavage site in nCoV — not present in bat coronaviruses, SARS, or MERS," as well as emails expressing bewilderment as to how this site may have arisen.

The furin cleavage site, which has never been observed in naturally occurring SARS coronaviruses, is the COVID-19 virus's standout feature that makes it particularly virulent in humans.

While the Feb. 4 draft of Proximal Origin made repeated reference to the possibility that the furin cleavage site might have arisen in a lab, these references were expunged from the subsequent Feb. 7 draft — which also is included in the newly unredacted emails.

While the term "furin" is mentioned 19 times in the Feb. 4 draft, it's mentioned only four times in the published article. In downplaying the furin cleavage site, post-Feb. 4 versions of Proximal Origin cited a Chinese study that initially claimed to have found a 99% match to the COVID-19 virus in pangolins.

However, by the time the Chinese study was published on Feb. 20, the match was revealed to be only 90%, which is far less than other coronaviruses known to have been kept by the Wuhan lab. The pangolin virus also didn't have a furin cleavage site.

However, despite the Chinese pangolin paper having quickly proven to be a false alarm, the scientists kept falsely maintaining publicly that the pangolin virus had something to do with COVID-19.

One curiosity that remains unanswered is why Fauci's group didn't invite Ralph Baric to participate in their deliberations. Baric, a professor at the University of North Carolina, is a pioneer in manipulating coronaviruses and had previously worked with the Wuhan lab.

It was a study conducted by Baric, Shi and others in 2015 that had initially set off alarm bells, both at the NIH and in the wider scientific community, about the risks associated with manipulating coronaviruses. Rutgers University biologist Richard Ebright noted at the time that "the only impact of this work is the creation, in a lab, of a new, non-natural risk."

The Baric-Shi study led the NIH to suspend its funding of the Wuhan lab. However, the NIH inexplicably allowed the work to resume in 2016.

It's inconceivable why Baric, perhaps the most knowledgeable person in the United States on the issue of manipulating coronaviruses, as well as on the capabilities of the Wuhan lab, wasn't included in Fauci's teleconference.

The only plausible explanation appears to be that Baric was part of a 2018 proposal to insert furin cleavage sites into coronaviruses. The existence of this proposal was revealed in September of 2021, when a whistleblower leaked a document that showed that the Wuhan lab wanted to insert furin cleavage sites into SARS coronaviruses.

Baric's presence at the Feb. 1 teleconference would have likely exposed that inconvenient fact to a larger group of people.

It isn't known whether Fauci or any other teleconference participants knew of the 2018 proposal before it was leaked in 2021. However, it is plausible that at least Fauci had been briefed about the proposal.

That's because the proposal had been submitted to — and rejected by — the Pentagon's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA). At the time, DARPA program manager James Gimlett flagged the proposal as too risky to undertake.

Although the DARPA proposal involved Baric and the WIV, it was formally submitted by Peter Daszak on behalf of EcoHealth Alliance. EcoHealth also happens to be the organization through whom Fauci has been funding the Wuhan lab since at least 2014.

Given EcoHealth's dual roles, both as Fauci's intermediary to the Wuhan lab, and as the Wuhan lab's instrument for obtaining DARPA funds, it's only a short leap between Gimlett being alarmed by the proposal and Fauci being informed of his concerns.

Another revelation contained in the new emails is that at least two of the participants in Fauci's teleconference explicitly acknowledged that the aim of the conference was to smother the lab leak theory. While this was widely known, it wasn't expected that participants had said as much in writing.

On Feb. 8, Andersen wrote the group, claiming that their "main work" had "been focused on trying to disprove any type of lab theory." At the same time, he lamented that "we are at a crossroads where the scientific evidence isn't conclusive enough."

Christian Drosten, a COVID-19 adviser to the German government who had also attended the teleconference, emailed Fauci's group on Feb. 9 to complain about the Proximal Origin draft that Farrar had shared with him.

Drosten wasn't happy that Proximal Origin mentioned the lab leak at all, asking "didn't we congregate to challenge a certain theory," sarcastically adding, "are we working on debunking our own conspiracy theory?"

Another participant in the Feb. 1 teleconference, Dutch virologist Marion Koopmans, emailed on Feb. 9 to say that the group shouldn't publish anything about the lab leak scenario as "this could backfire" and "because putting that in the public domain as a hypothesis in my view will be read as 'see, they also thought so.'"

The truth is that Fauci's group also thought so and colluded to conceal not only that they thought so but also to conceal the evidence of a lab origin that they had gathered.

Some of that evidence, such as the highly unusual furin cleavage site, has been known for some time, while other evidence, such as the presence of highly unusual restriction sites in the virus's genome, has only been scientifically addressed recently.

By concealing what they knew about the virus's unusual features, Fauci and his group of scientists critically hobbled scientific efforts to better understand the virus. This may have had negative effects on treatments as well as on efforts to develop counteracting agents.

Perhaps even more successful was the attempt by Fauci and his group to cover up the origin of COVID-19. Fauci's full-court press effectively led to a complete media blackout on the issue and the public castigation of anyone who didn't toe the line.

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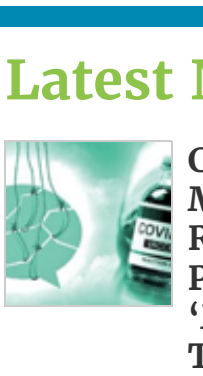

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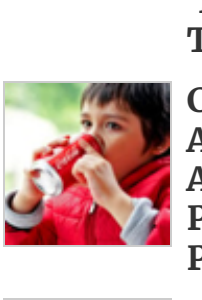

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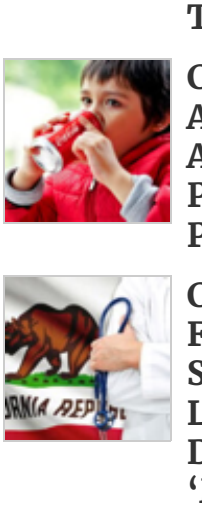

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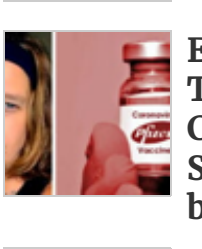

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Ricky Ricardo · 3 days ago
Talk, talk, talk...we all know of the evil that has taken over this society. When is someone going to do something about it?!
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Jay Trennoche → Ricky Ricardo · 2 days ago
...the current satanic devolution will continue only until each person is educated enough to turn their back on the status quo...Food as Disease, and stay away from Doctors as Drug Dealers. When the doctor hands you another Rx Prescitption, people need to say, "Doctor, I don't want drugs, I want to get Well and be Healthy and not depend on symptom masking drugs...the "honest" doctor would have to say,"We are not trained to get you well, we are trained to put you on daily drugs for the rest of your life, or until your insurance company stops paying. But that ain't gonna happen...doctors and patients both need education in Health, which should begin for all people in entry level grammar school.
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Ricky Ricardo → Jay Trennoche · 17 hours ago
I doubt that I will visit a doctor, clinic, hospital...ever again - even if I'm dying! Judging by the idiocy and insanity that I've seen going on for the past three years; none of those fools can be trusted - at all! When I die, it's going to be on my terms...not theirs!
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Deckie poo → Jay Trennoche · 2 days ago
I know I stay away from them (doctors, hospitals, drugs not even aspirins) and will continue to do so. I don't know who is worse doctors or drug dealers.
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NiTama → Jay Trennoche · 2 days ago
Agreed! The only language they understand is money. Hit them in the pocket book as many ways as possible. Look what bus boycotts accomplished in the 60s. In this case, it includes ditching 401K and other portfolios that invest in the status quo by demanding they make more and more money no matter what. We need to opt out of the system in as many ways as possible. Even buying food from farmers markets and direct from farmers sticks it to the man!
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GarySummers · 3 days ago
"Fauci emailed friend saying masks were 'ineffective,' pushed for mandates anyway, Missouri AG says"
Missouri Attorney General Eric Schmitt on Friday shared a 'tidbit' from Dr. Anthony Fauci's deposition in which he allegedly stated that masks were 'ineffective' before supporting mandates.
11/25/2022 By Brianna Herlihy | Fox News
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Jay Trennoche → GarySummers · 2 days ago
The Covid successful Income racket called Giganticus Enormous, is minor compared to the drugs used as food additives made from petroleum, which are petrochemicals, which are carcinogenic, cancer causing to human vertebrates. And they use these chemicals in the fake foods they trick people into eating with Hollywood packaging. It's a Satanic thing.
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GarySummers · 3 days ago · edited
1.) "Who They Are The Faces Of Covid!"!
https://www.algora.com/Algo...

2.) "XCLUSIVE: 'Official Documents prove ''Anthony Fauci & Bill Gates'' are responsible for developing' the COVID Virus in a Biolab"
https://coldwelliantimes.co...

3.) ''During Covid'', 'Alex Azar, Trumps HHS Director', played a key role in making sure that 'Pharma companies got total immunity for everything they did' in response to the "pandemic." ''Now Karen Kingston says she's unearthed documents that show Azar is guilty of even more than that.''
Check out Karen Kingston's Substack here: https://karenkingston.subst...
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Ricky Ricardo → GarySummers · 3 days ago
Some great links there, Gary. Thanks!
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GarySummers → Ricky Ricardo · 3 days ago
"Wife almost died Twice from the 'Clot Shot', my way of helping"!
Same thing as Weatherman Al Rooker.
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Ricky Ricardo → GarySummers · 17 hours ago
I hope your wife is doing okay now.
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Leslie N · 3 days ago · edited
Ah let's promote the lab leak theory even more to convince everybody there's some deadly virus rather than some population reducing project going on. Oh, that's what a little conspiracy theorist bird told me. That little bird also said as Fauci's final act for his employer, he will be the retired fall guy for many things like the 'aids' epidemic, covid, etc. Wow, what a dedicated employee. I bet all countries have very dedicated employees or very compartmentalized employees. Wow, that's one crazy bird.....ya

Oh, that crazy little bird also said that 'whistleblowers' can be real or simply actors. Ya, never know.
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GarySummers · 3 days ago
1.) "Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. Takes on Fauci in 'Most Important Book' of our Times"
https://www.uncoverdc.com/2...

2.) "FBI Investigation Targeted Dr. Fauci But Comey Pulled the Plug"!
https://truepundit.com/fbi-...

3.) "RFK Jr.: Fauci And Bill Gates Should Be Criminally Prosecuted For Gross Negligence And Profiting Off COVID"!
https://www.realclearpoliti...

4.) "Five COVID Investigations the GOP House Needs to Launch on Day One"!
https://www.zerohedge.com/n...
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correspondence committee · 3 days ago
Gain of fiction: lab leak controversy is a psyop to keep virus mythology alive and threatening us, among other misdirection, like reinforcing Chicom propaganda.
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GarySummers → correspondence committee · 2 days ago · edited
May it be also as Simple as it was 'Bio-Weapon released by Red China' (Not A Virus)? Plus how could USA complain because we paid them to develop it? It took care of the Unrest in Hong Kong, and Trump which they hated?

Then the Gene, Cell, Therapy Jabs, was a way to get their mRNA Jabs a quicker route to get introduced into the World Big Pharma Vaccine Cabal Market Place? $$$$

Innocent Deaths/Injuries was just part of doing Business, like our Military/Veterans is to the Military Industrial Complex?
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GarySummers → correspondence committee · 2 days ago · edited
"Simple CHD/ICAN Depose the Authors of 'DOD DOCTRINE' (DARPA) ?"
'BOMBSHELL: 'Veritas Documents Reveal [DC Bureaucrats Had Evidence Ivermectin and Hydroxychloroquine Were Effective inTreating COVID'' — BUT HID THIS FROM PUBLIC'']

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At time = 0:32, is displayed an unclassified DARPA document which states:
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Jay Trennoche · 2 days ago
It's NEVER been the Strength of the Virus or the Bacteria...whether natural or lab leaked; It has always been about the WEAKNESS of the People...! ! ! Why? Because American Food is not Human Food, it is predominately sugar, chemical, and petrochemical additives loaded onto what appears to be really all Super Market shelves and refrigerators stacked with Snack Food and Entertainment Food, void of nutrients, proven capable of the inflammatory response and promoting disease processes successfully putting 80% of the US population on a lifetime of Rx drug therapies designed to never aid in restoration or the maintenance of Health and Well Being, but instead perpetuating the taking of more and more Rx drugs due to guaranteed side effects, via 4 Billion Drug Prescriptions sold by the drug dealing medical doctors, fueling $4 Trillion in Pharma-Medical Income per year, out distancing Military spending by 12 times over. Pharma drugs meant to increase over the years, the 80% of the American population, to take even 10 to 15 or more different Rx prescription drugs in multiple doses as a daily regimen unto Death.

'What Fools these Mortals Be."

A broad scope approach to reverse and to eliminate the Rx Drug affliction is pure and simple...Go Natural...! ! !
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JR → Jay Trennoche · 2 days ago
Interesting note about the food issue. An acquaintance worked for a very large company that produces boxed food such as mac and cheese. :) He was a food scientist. His "project" at the time we had the conversation was to develop a palatable powdered "cheese". He told me to never eat it. All chemicals. He was super skinny, and very picky about what he ate. He said he only ate fresh/organic food. This was in the mid-90's. Organic foods were not widely available yet. I was very naive at that time and kind of put him in my paranoid weird people folder in my head. But, the conversation seemed important and stuck in my mind. I never forgot it. I now believe he was being direct and honest. In short, I believe our "food" is tainted with chemicals and carcinogens. Lesson of the day, grow your own food.
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Deckie poo → JR · 2 days ago
Where, nowadays can most people, find fresh organic food. Sorry, I think its highly next to impossible. We all would like to eat organic and healthy but its not doable. A lot of people can't buy organic food, maybe because their neighborhood stores don't have it or have very little of it. It is expensive to eat organic, so a lot of people can't afford it, especially when they have families to feed. With all the chem trails spraying into the air and atmosphere now, where on earth are you going to be able to find land and soil not tainted with chemicals? There is no way on this god's green earth, everyone is going to be able to grow their own food. So most people have no choice but to get food from their neighborhood stores.
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Deborah M. Damascus · 2 days ago
What despicable people. And still Yahoo reports on the lab "theory". Frightening - this orchestrated effort to LIE.
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"Military Documents About Gain of Function Contradict Fauci Testimony Under Oath"!
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1.) "Fauci emails: Fauci colluded with Zuckerberg to fearmonger about the coronavirus before the election"
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2.) "Dr. Anthony Fauci: Mass Murderer" ?
The most important thing to know is that absolutely every action and policy that Fauci advocated was wrong and contrary to the best medical science information.

''He was responsible for creating and prolonging the COVID pandemic.''

That means he should be viewed as a mass murderer and serial killer?
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